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Advisory Council on Historic Preservation  
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**FINAL MINUTES**  
**(Approval April 18, 2019)**

**Vermont Advisory Council on Historic Preservation**  
**March 21, 2019**  
**10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**  
**Montpelier conference room, Davis Building, basement level**  
**Montpelier, Vermont**

**Council Participants:** Edward Clark, Citizen Member/Vice Chair  
David Donath, Historian  
Britta Tonn, Architectural Historian  
Joseph Luneau, Citizen Member  
Paul Wyncoop, Citizen Member

**Absent:** John Vetter, Archaeologist/Chair  
Blaine Cliver, Historical Architect

**Staff Participants:** Laura V. Trieschmann, State Historic Preservation Officer  
Jamie Duggan, Senior Historic Preservation Review Coordinator

**Guests:** Jeff Temple, Killington Lodge  
Nate McKeen, Killington Lodge/FPR  
Jim Pulver, Killington Lodge/Breadloaf  
Newton Rose, Patent Medicine Roadside Historic Site Marker  
Mike Rooney, Patent Medicine Roadside Historic Site Marker  
Tim Camisa, Patent Medicine Roadside Historic Site Marker  
Tara Pacht, Camp Farnsworth Roadside Historic Site Marker  
Judith Ehrlich, AOT  
Kyle Obenauer, AOT

Mr. Clark opened the meeting at 10:08  
The meeting was not recorded.

- I Welcome**
- II Changes to the Agenda**  
No changes to the agenda
- III Public Comment**  
No public comments
- IV Review / Approve February 21, 2019 Meeting Minutes**





Spelling correction of Mr. Luneau's name  
Mr. Luneau made the motion; Mr. Donath seconded  
Motion passed unanimously

## V Annual Meeting

- **Election of Chair / Vice Chair**

Mr. Clark was nominated as chair by Mr. Luneau/Mr. Donath seconded  
Mr. Wyncoop was nominated as vice chair by Mr. Clark/Ms. Tonn seconded  
Motion passed unanimously

## VI Roadside Markers

- **Patent Medicine, Enosburg Falls**

Ms. Trieschmann introduced the marker text, noting there were no edits to the submitted application. Newton Rose, the author of the text, spoke about the research conducted and process to determine the topic for the marker. Tim Camisa, co-owner of the property, updated the ACHP on the history of the property and work being undertaken at the building to create a museum.

Mr. Donath made a motion; Mr. Wyncoop seconded  
Motion passed unanimously

- **GSGWM Camp Farnsworth, Thetford**

Ms. Trieschmann introduced the marker application. Tara Pacht of the Girl Scouts of the Green and White Mountains presented the history of the camp, current activities and projects, and recounted the support of the community and Selectboard for the camp and marker application.

Phrase "gracious lady" to be called out by addition of quotations.

Mr. Clark made a motion; Ms. Tonn seconded  
Motion passed unanimously

## VII Dept of Forest Parks & Recreation – Project Review

- **Killington K-1 Lodge**

Mr. Duggan introduced the project, noting the many partners involved and the great proactive efforts of FPR. Mr. Clark reviewed the alterations to the building based on the review at the January meeting for the determination of eligibility. He inquired if mitigation efforts proposed in the *Historic Resource Assessment Report for Killington Resort K-1 Base Lodge Replacement* (February 19, 2019) would be acceptable. Jeff Temple of Killington Lodge spoke of his association with the property and his excitement and openness on the proposed mitigation, including Roadside Historic Site Markers at lodge and another site they own. An Historic Resource Documentation Package (HRDP) is not needed because VDHP has all the information in another format already, so that should not be an item of mitigation.



Mr. Duggan stated the proposed mitigation will be done through project review, inviting the ACHP for other ideas and guidance. He explained that the ACHP needs to give approval to FPR to continue with project under Act 250. Mr. Duggan explained the Section 106 and 22 VSA aspects are resolved, but for Act 250, there will need to be a Memorandum of Agreement before VDHP comments can go to the District Commission.

Mr. Clark made motion to concur with the *Historic Resource Assessment Report for Killington Resort K-1 Base Lodge Replacement* (February 19, 2019), proposing to demolish the historic building. The proposed action will have an Adverse Effect that will be mitigated through consultation with VDHP and shared with the ACHP; Mr. Luneau seconded. Motion passed 3-0 (Mr. Wyncoop and Ms. Tonn abstained)

## **VIII 22 VSA Project Review - AOT**

- **US Route 5 Flashing Beacon Installation, Norwich**

Ms. Trieschmann introduced the project, noting that VDHP was reviewing it under 22 VSA because it is located within the Norwich Historic District. Mr. Obenauer of AOT explained the specifics of this town-sponsored project and detailed that VTrans provides technical support and limited engineering guidance. The Norwich project is part of a small-scale MAB grant project to improve pedestrian safety, for which VTrans provides 50% match of cost for town-identified need. Project is to install two sets of flashing beacons; one set by school and second set by 325 Main Street. He shared a video from Washington State on how the signs illuminate, adding that the color of the pole can be changed so it blends more with the setting. He explained the building—formally a house—is used as a business, with restaurant in rear.

Ms. Trieschmann clarified that VDHP does not have concerns with the installation of three of the four signs and supports public safety but is questioning the examination of alternatives for the fourth sign in front of the Emerson Dean House at 325 Main Street in the Norwich Historic District. The members of the ACHP proposed alternative locations and stated issues with overgrown tree blocking current signage. Mr. Obenauer cited state guidelines and the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) standards regarding signs distance to the road, width of road, winter conditions, and ADA requirements, as well as project costs for engineering and scope, to demonstrate why many of the locations suggested by the ACHP were not options. Further, he voiced concern about the installation affecting the tree roots. Mr. Clark asked if VTrans had talked to the landowner; Mr. Obenauer said they had not because that is the obligation of the town.

The ACHP requested VTrans examine the relocation of the sign to the south of the entry bay, in front of the window bay just north of the tree. Mr. Obenauer said that could be explored.



The town is proposing solar panel on top of the sign. The ACHP questioned the height of the new sign. Mr. Obenauer cautioned that the existing signs are lower than the required standard and will need to be replaced and raised a foot in height anyway. However, he will examine if placing the solar panel on the side of the pole is a better alternative to placing it on the top in this location.

The ACHP believed the new sign is an adverse effect to the contributing building in the historic district but felt that the study of alternatives will mitigate.

Mr. Clark made a motion to request an evaluation of alternatives: 1) relocation of sign in front of south window bay rather than at entry bay, and 2) placement of solar panel to the side of pole rather than top, because the new beacon sign is an Adverse Effect. Mr. Wyncoop seconded. Motion passed unanimously

## **IX New Business**

- **Meeting Schedule**

- April 18
- May 23 (St. Albans/Chester Arthur Site visit)
- June 5 (Downtown and HP Conference, Montpelier)
- July 18
- No August

- **Announcements**

**SHPO report:**

1. Awarded Historic Preservation Fund for federal fiscal year 19 (started October 2018) is \$596,510, which is \$6,129 higher than FFY18.
2. Jamie Duggan will be moving to head Historic Sites Maintenance, but continuing to work on BGS, UVM, and state parks projects.
3. Capital Construction budget now includes line item for Monument Road stabilization, easement language for Monocacy Battlefield marker, and statement requiring VDHP review for UVM.

## **X Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at 12:12 p.m.